

Table 6. Reasons for working part-time as reported by doctoral scientists and engineers, by age: 1997

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| Reason for working part-time | All ages | Age 64 and under | Age 65 and above |
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| Total employed part-time (number)..... | 40,500 | 32,100 | 8,500 |
| | | Percent | |
| Retired or semi-retired..... | 29 | 17 | 77 |
| Student..... | 4 | 4 | S |
| Family responsibilities..... | 24 | 29 | S |
| Ill/disabled..... | 3 | 4 | S |
| Suitable full-time job not available..... | 21 | 25 | S |
| No need or desire for full-time work..... | 34 | 34 | 33 |
| Other reason..... | 12 | 13 | S |

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 1,000 weighted cases).

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because of rounding, and because multiple answers were allowed. Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, 1997 Survey of Doctorate Recipients